

**Minutes
Hurst City Council
Work Session
Tuesday, January 25, 2022**

On the 25th day of January 2022, at 5:30 p.m., the City Council of the City of Hurst, Texas, convened in Work Session at City Hall, 1505 Precinct Line Road, Hurst, Texas, with the following members present:

Henry Wilson	)	Mayor
Cathy Brotherton	)	Mayor Pro Tem
John Miller	)	Councilmembers
David Booe)	
Cindy Shepard)	
Gary N. Waldron)	
Clay Caruthers	)	City Manager
Matthew Boyle	)	City Attorney
Clayton Fulton	)	Assistant City Manager
Malaika Marion Farmer	)	Assistant City Manager
Rita Frick	)	City Secretary
Greg Dickens	)	Executive Director of Public Works
Steve Bowden	)	Executive Director of Economic Development

With the following Councilmembers absent: Jon McKenzie, constituting a quorum, at which time, the following business was transacted:

I. Call to Order – The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

II. Informational Items

- **Update and discussion of upcoming Calendar Items** – City Manager Clay Caruthers reviewed the future events calendar, also noting cyber security training deadlines, and the police and fire award banquet dates.
- **Update and discussion of COVID-19 and public safety operational plans** – City Manager Caruthers reviewed COVID activity noting the numbers for staff are decreasing and the vaccination clinic at the main fire station was reestablished after the building shutdown.

Mayor Wilson next moved to Executive Session and recessed the meeting at 5:43 p.m. to Executive Session in Compliance with the Provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Law, Authorized by Government Code, 551.072, deliberation of the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property (West Hurst Elementary and Bellaire Park) and (Lot 2R, Block 1, Heritage Village Addition) and reconvened Open Session at 6:06 p.m.

The work session items were discussed in the following order: Item V, III and IV

III. Discussion of Agenda Item(s) 2

Consider P-2021-0007 Eden Town Square, a replat of Lots 11 and 12, Block 1 Olde Towne Square and Lot 2R2B, Block 1 McGarry Plaza Addition to Lot 1, Block A Eden Town Square Addition, being 5.064 acres located at 750, 760, and 780 Bedford Euless Road

City Manager Clay Caruthers stated this item is straightforward and would be presented in regular session unless Council had additional questions for staff.

IV. Discussion of Agenda Item(s) 3

Consider designating Livingston Drive from Willow Street north to 629 Livingston Drive as the FY 2022 – 48th Year Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program Project

Executive Director of Public Works Greg Dickens briefed Council noting the public hearing was held at the last Council meeting and staff's proposal for the 2022 CDBG program is for the reconstruction of Livingston Drive from Willow Street north to 629 Livingston Drive.

V. Discussion of Agenda Item(s) 4

Consider authorizing the expenditure of funds related to the update and migration of the City's Financial Platform

Assistant City Manager Clayton Fulton briefed Council on the proposed upgrade and migration of the City's Financial Platform noting the City has utilized Oracle for approximately 20 years, typically upgrading every 5 years. Mr. Fulton explained the benefits of upgrading the system to the Oracle cloud platform to provide the best solution and a fuller feature set than a simple update to the on-premise services. He stated the migration to the cloud-based platform does increase the cost beyond the standard update; however, staff believes the increased cost is worth the benefits, which include elimination of future hardware and storage costs and operational benefits of continuity of services in emergencies, added functionality and efficiencies with enhanced reporting features, accounts payable processing, general ledger maintenance, and electronic storage among other added features and components. He reviewed funding noting approximately \$940,000 in the IT Fund and staff is requesting the additional funding from the Special Projects Fund.

EXECUTIVE SESSION in Compliance with the Provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Law, Authorized by Government Code, 551.072, deliberation of the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property (West Hurst Elementary and Bellaire Park) and (Lot 2R, Block 1, Heritage Village Addition) and to reconvene in Open Session at the Conclusion of the Executive Session to consider and take any necessary action


VI. ADJOURNMENT – Mayor Wilson adjourned the work session at 6:21 p.m.

APPROVED this the 8th day of February 2022.

ATTEST:


Rita Frick, City Secretary

APPROVED:


Henry Wilson, Mayor